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The Mineral Lands of California.

The plan of President FILLMORE, to dispose of the mineral lands of California, would, even if it could be practically carried out, be ruinous to the mining interests, and is hence objectionable than any other proposition which we have yet seen. The measure introduced by Mr. FREMONT, although possessing many objectionable features, is far less obnoxious, when more perfectly understood.

We find in the San Jose *Argus*, of Saturday, the following article upon the subject of the mineral lands, and the plan proposed by President FILLMORE, and that of Mr. FREMONT.

There are few questions affecting the interests of this State more vitally important, or which are calculated to attract more profound attention, than that of the disposition and government of the mineral lands. To the people of this country, the subject is one of the most momentous bearing on the question of the mines, which shall never meet the support of the people of California; indeed, it is the very *genius of freedom of the mines*—in other words, the *right* to all, who choose, to dig gold for themselves—one which is deeply rooted, and universal; and no public man who goes counter to it can hope to obtain public confidence or support.

On the settlement of this question, together with that of *land* titles, depends the prosperity of California; and to secure the first in accordance with public sentiment, will require not only entire unanimity and concert of action, but that a *unique* plan be devised, as will be presented to the Senate of the United States. In fact, the latter point must be fully looked at with views above all mere party considerations—for it is vastly more important to California that she should have her rights protected, than that a Democrat or Whig should be placed in the Senatorial chair.

The justice and propriety of the reasons given by Senator Fremont for the bill which he introduced into the Senate regarding the mineral lands of this State, are fully exemplified in the recommendations concerning the same subject matter which we find contained in the President's message, and the report of the Secretary of the Interior. The *whole government idea* of the one of the princes and auriferous veins of California, is that of *leasing* the mineral lands of the premises. President Fillmore and the present Secretary of the Interior are not peculiar in this matter, it seems to be inherent in the administrative department of the government, and in fact the prevailing sentiment of Congress also.

The recommendations of the documents now before us, (the Message and Secretary's report) are that the mineral lands shall be *put up and sold*, in lots of greater or less extent, according to their *apparent richness*, at auction. This, of course, would give the same rights so far acquired; all rights growing out of enterprise, and place the pioneer and discoverers, in greater or less degree, the mercy of capitalists and companies, who should send their agents here with larger means for bidding and investing.

The suggestion of the President's message is, that the choice is only as between a system of *leasing* and that of *selling*. If the disposition to be made of mineral lands is to look to *revenue to the government* as the first object, the President is probably right in presenting *leasing or selling* as the alternative; but if the legitimate uses of the mines of the reward of the enterprise and labor which had opened this rich prospect to the eyes of our countrymen—if the development of the mineral treasures of the State, and the general diffusion of their benefits and advantages be the objects to be attained, leasing to the government only the incidental advantages which will arise from the increased prosperity of the country, then the alternative is not as between a system of leasing and the putting up of the lots and mines at auction, for people who have stayed at home hoarding wealth to buy up and overbid the men whose enterprise and sacrifices developed the value and extent of the rewards due to be snatched from them.

The plan proposed by Mr. Fremont is neither the one nor the other of the mineral resources of the Executive communications. The plan which he proposes looks to the security of every person in the rights of previous discovery, occupation or labor, and is in fact no further a change from the system so far grown up in the mining districts, than to add, for a consideration merely nominal, the *guarantee of government* to rights existing, or that any may be disposed to acquire by means of discovery and labor. It is a plan that without the adoption of some such plan as that introduced by Mr. Fremont, the alternative left to the people of this State is so far as the Federal government is concerned, the sale of the mineral lands to capitalists or contrated capital, most of it probably held in foreign countries, and hence the drain of the dividends of the mines to be drained; or a system of *leases* from the government at rates to discourage all effort not aided with great capital. Either of the systems would be disastrous to the mining interests, and to the State, and would inevitably produce an alienation of feeling between the people here and the Federal government, if it did not produce such violent scenes as have sometimes been witnessed in the States of the Upper Mississippi valley, where the government has offered to auction the lands of which actual settlers had improved and established their homes upon.

SAN FRANCISCO PRICES CURRENT.

ashes—Duty 20 ½ cent ad val—		Quinine, 2s oz.....	2 @3 50
Saleratus, 2 lb.....	10 @11	Rhubarb, China.....	1 @1 50
Bacon—Duty 4 cents per lb and 20 per cent ad val—		Mrs. Kidders' cordial	
Cabin, whole, lb.....	9 @10	2 doz.....	6 @7
do, hams.....	12½@14	Sarsaparilla, Sand's....	10 @12
Bread—Duty 20 per cent ad val—		Tamarind's.....	6 @10
American, pilot, 9 lb..	11c@12c	Flour Meal—Duty, 20 ½ cent ad val—	
Navy, lb.....	12c	Corn, bbl.....	12 @14
Crackers in wood	10c	Chili, 100 lbs.....	7.00@7.50
do in tin.....	12c	Rye, 100 lbs.....	7.00@7.50
Boots and Shoes—Duty 30 per cent ad val—		Oat, 100 lbs.....	6 @6 50
Boots, men's highpegg'd,		American, 9 lbs.....	12 @13
each pair.....	12 @16	Brandywine, 9 lbs.....	12 @13
do do heavy, pegg'd	12 @16	Corn meal, sieved.....	5 @6
do do sewed.....	10 @12	Fish—Duty 5 cents per lb and 20 per cent ad val—	
do do light do....	10 @12	Salmon, fresh, lb.....	12½@15
do do pegg'd....	10 @12	Salmon, fresh, pickled	
do do sewed.....	10 @12	in bbl.....	15 @18
Boots, women's, each pair		Mackerel, No. 1.....	15 @18
do do sewed.....	10 @12	do No. 2.....	12 @15
do do pegg'd.....	10 @12	do No. 3.....	10 @12
Lambs.....1.00@1.25		do No. 1, bf. bbl	8 @10
Buckskin.....2.00@2.50		do No. 2, do.....	6 @8
Brass—Duty 30 ½ cent. ad val—		do No. 3, do.....	5 @6
American, pump, sell		Herring, lb.....	12½@15
assorted, 1 ton and		Halibut, lb.....	12½@15
Mexican	40 @50	Cod, lb.....	12½@15
Candles—Duty 20 ½ cent ad val—		Bass, lb.....	12½@15
Sperm, 12 lb. to lb.....	45 @50	Sturgeon, lb.....	12½@15
Adamantine.....	28@30	Anchovies, lb.....	12½@15
Mould or dipped.....	25@28	Sardines, lb.....	12½@15
Cassia—Duty 20 ½ cent. ad val—		Flour—Duty, 20 ½ cent ad val—	
Cigars—Duty, 40 ½ cent ad val—		Superfine, bbl.....	8.50
American, lb.....	50 @75	Extra, bbl.....	9.50
Havana, regalia.....	60 @75	Fancy, bbl.....	10.50
do long.....	50 @75	Chocolate, lb.....	18
Cheroots, Manilla.....	18 @20	Cocoa, lb.....	18
do Havana.....	18 @20	Coffee—Duty, in American vessels, 5 cents per lb and 20 per cent ad val—	
Coffee—Duty, in American vessels, 5 cents per lb and 20 per cent ad val—		Thomaston, p bbl.....	2 @2 50
If the importation be from elsewhere than the place of production of the mines, which shall disregard the rights of labor, will never meet the support of the people of California; indeed, it is the very genius of *freedom of the mines*—in other words, the *right* to all, who choose, to dig gold for themselves—one which is deeply rooted, and universal; and no public man who goes counter to it can hope to obtain public confidence or support.		Thomaston, p bbl.....	2 @2 50
		Rockland, p bbl.....	2 @2 50
		Lond.—Duty, 20 cent ad val—	
		Pale, p lb.....	18c
		Brown, p lb.....	12c
		Barrels—Duty, 10 ½ cent ad val—	
		Pipe, 120 gallons.....	12.00@13.00
		Hhd, 100 gallons.....	10.00@11.00
		Barrel, 40 gallons.....	4.00@4.50
		Half barrel, 20 gallons	2.00@2.25
		Kegs, 10 gallons.....	1.50@2.00
		Keg, 5 gallons.....	1.00@1.25
		Keg, 2½ gallons.....	0.75@1.00
		Beef, p bbl.....	8.50
		Pork, p bbl.....	10
		do sheet.....	20
		do prime mess.....	12
		Mess, p bbl.....	14
		Thomaston, p bbl.....	2 @2 50
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		Half barrel, 20 gallons	2.00@2.25
		Kegs, 10 gallons.....	1.50@2.00
		Keg, 5 gallons.....	1.00@1.25
		Keg, 2½ gallons.....	0.75@1.00
		Beef, p bbl.....	8.50
		Pork, p bbl.....	10
		do sheet.....	20
		do prime mess.....	12
		Mess, p bbl.....	14
		Iron—Duty, 20 ½ cent ad val—	
		English bar, 1¼x¾ to	
		2x¾, lb ton.....	8@ 10
		Swedes, lb ton.....	8@ 10
		do sheet.....	@
		Nail rods, lb ton.....	8@ 10
		Coffee—Duty, in American vessels, 5 cents per lb and 20 per cent ad val—

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TO THE LEGAL PROFESSION.

We are desirous of publishing in the next number of the *Enlarged Steamer Pacific News*, a complete list of the *Members of the Bar* of San Francisco. A book for the registry of names will be kept at our Counting Room, until Thursday morning, and we shall be obliged to the members of the Legal Profession if they will call and enter their names, the place of their former residence, and the date of their arrival in California.

The Mineral Land of California.

The proposition of President Fillmore, contained in his annual message to Congress, recommending that the mineral lands of California be divided into small parcels and sold, is one which can meet with little favor in any quarter, except it be, perhaps, with monied men, who quietly look on, and when opportunity offers, will invest their funds in a project that guarantees so large a return. The further suggestion of the President, contemplates such restrictions as to quantity and time, as will insure the best price, and guard most effectually against combinations of capitalists to obtain monopolies.

These suggestions are very well, but show most clearly that neither the President, nor those who are at so great a distance from California as not to fully understand the condition of things as they exist here, have a correct appreciation of the effect of such a law. With all the care and judicious foresight of the sage counsellors of the nation, it would be found impossible to so frame the act, as to do equal and exact justice to all: protecting the poor and laboring classes, and preventing the possessors of large capital getting into their hands immense tracts of the most valuable mineral lands. This is the great evil to be apprehended as the result of the plan proposed, and experience would most fully exemplify that the fears honestly entertained, and freely expressed, would be more than realized. In the older western states, where the great land speculations directed the attention of capitalists to the advantages offered for investment, monied men, even of the old world, sent their agents into the most desirable localities, and purchased immense tracts of land. "Westward the tide of empire took its way," and the hardy, industrious Germans, the enthusiastic Irish, and the poor of our own country, were forced to locate upon land that was neither inviting nor desirable, or pay the advanced price demanded by those whose pecuniary necessities did not compel a sale. The capitalist wrung the hard-earned dollar from the pioneer settlers, to enrich his already overflowing coffers.

Thus it would be with the mineral lands of California. Guard the act as they might, restrict the quantity as rigidly as the fetters of the law would accomplish such an end, and still the pockets of the monopolist would be the receptacle of the benefits of such a law. The value of the mineral lands consists, of course, in their productiveness, and where large tracts fall into the possession of the few, they must either remain unexplored, and therefore unproductive, or else the toiling, hardy miner, who certainly *earns* every ounce of gold he gets from earth's bosom, must pay the price demanded by those who are not *forced* to put the lands in market.

We doubt much whether such a law of Congress could go into practical operation, peaceably, but if so, its provisions must necessarily confer the greatest benefits upon those who are the least entitled to receive them; upon those whom chance has placed in a pecuniary condition above their fellows, and who do not contribute to the permanent wealth of the country by developing its resources. Capital from the old world, owned by men having no interest in common with the citizens of California, or the Union, would find its way hither, seeking investment. It would open the door for oppression, confusion and anarchy, personal feuds and local wars, and retard the prosperity and onward career of our State, whose glorious destiny is yet only shadowed forth by what has already been accomplished.

Squatting.—The recent decision made by the Supreme Court in relation to land titles derived from Alcalde grants, has created considerable excitement in a portion of the community. A number of persons taking advantage of that decision, have squatted upon unoccupied grounds in different parts of the city, and rely upon the power of the law to protect them. Others have armed themselves, and are ready to give battle, rather than they should relinquish their claims. Many who considered their fortunes made, among the speculators, are seeing their fancied wealth pass away like the "baseless fabric of a vision." How the matter will be finally adjusted, we cannot surmise.

Act to Limit the Duration of Leases.—A bill was introduced by Mr. Broderick into the Senate, on the 24th, providing that no agricultaral lands within this State shall hereafter be conveyed, by lease or otherwise, except in fee and perpetual succession, for a longer period than ten years; nor shall any town or city lots, or other real property, be conveyed for a longer time than twenty years.

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Our San Jose Correspondence.

San Jose, January 27.

Editors of the Pacific News:

The Senate adjourned at 10¼ last night, having spent almost the entire day and evening in a patient hearing of the case of the contested seat of the Senator from San Joaquin. The whole trial was managed with infinite tact by the contestants, who, I understand, were law partners in Stockton at the time the election of 7th October took place.

The interest felt here in the result of this contest, has been very marked. A large and attentive crowd thronged the Senate chamber, to listen to the speeches of the contestants, among whom I observed His Excellency, Gov. McDougal, who was *not* there, to use the words in part of a correspondent of the *Alta*, in reference to the Indian bill, for the purpose, "by his presence [of] aiding and encouraging" the hopes of either.

Hon. J. C. Fremont was also present on the floor of the Senate, and several members of the former Legislature, and of the Assembly, as well as a number of ladies, among whom I noticed Mrs. McGruder and her pretty daughter, who is a general favorite here, especially to a certain senatorial bear, who appears to have formed some designs not unfriendly to the young lady in question.

The contest has been decided, as you will learn by the *Argus* of yesterday morning, in favor of Mr. Van Buren, one of the most accomplished and gifted of those who occupy a seat in the honorable Senate of the State. His remarks in support of his claim were of a superior order, and in his whole bearing as a Senator, he has shown himself well adapted to the high duties which are devolved upon him, and I should not be surprised if, in a few years, he was called to occupy a seat in a Senate of more exalted standing than that of the State Legislature.

I have no special news. A large number of departures took place from here on Saturday, and a still larger number of arrivals took place yesterday, thus changing again almost totally the complexion of the "third house." Among these, I notice Malachi Fallon, Esq., the able chief of police, Alderman Selover, Gen. Addison, Judge Sherwood, Ald. Sharron, and several others.

C. M. B.

The Office of Public Administrator.

The bill introduced by Mr. Broderick, into the Senate, concerning the office of Public Administrator of the County of San Francisco, provides for the election of that officer and his continuance in office until his successor is qualified; that he shall take the customary oath, and execute a bond to the State of California, with sureties, to be approved of by the Probate Judge, in the sum of ten thousand dollars, the amount of the bond being increased at the discretion of the Probate Judge; that he shall perform the same duties, and receive the same compensation, as other Administrators; that the present Administrator shall account for and pay to his successor, within ten days after he shall be qualified, all moneys, papers, &c., of deceased persons: that he shall report under oath; that if he fail to comply with the requirements of this act, he shall be liable on his official bond to any injured party, and may be indicted and punished as for a misdemeanor.

An Error.—The *Alta* stated yesterday morning that the barque *Emily*, from this port to Panama, via Realejo, was totally lost in a gale in October last, with two hundred passengers. This is an egregious blunder on the part of the *Alta's* correspondent, and has excited no little anxiety on the part of those who had friends on board. The following letter from Capt. Cope, of the Emily, will relieve the painful fears of many of our citizens:

Panama, Nov. 1, 1850.

Dear Sir—I take the liberty of writing you a few lines, informing you of my safe arrival here, after one of the shortest passages ever made by a sailing vessel. I had a passage of 26 days from port to port, and had not the least trouble with the passengers. Yours, Perry C. Cope.

To J. Middleton, San Francisco.

Balance vs. Balance.—The case of Mr. J. H. Craigmiles, for obtaining money under false pretences, was commenced yesterday before Judge Tilford. The action is based upon the affidavit of Mr. Eugene Casserly, who states that about the 15th of last December he was the editor and proprietor of the "Daily Public Balance;" that an advertisement of Mr. D. Gibb was inserted in said paper, the cost of which amounted to $20, and that it has since been collected by Mr. Craigmiles, without any authority of Mr. Casserly.

Mr. Craigmiles, we believe is an authorized agent of Mr. Buckelew, and the question at issue is, as to who is the lawful proprieter of the *Public Balance*. Volumes of depositions were taken, and the case continued until to-day.

"Slippery, Prospecting."—We were amused yesterday, while passing below the Post office, at seeing the effects of the *ardent* on a gentleman apparently just from the mines. Somehow, his head would try to get along faster than his heels, and while he was trying to arrange a compromise between them, a young lady passing attracted his attention. His head at once stopped and tried to get a view of such an (to him,) unusual sight, while his rascally legs, taking advantage of the slope, carried him a rod or two below, before he could stop them. A second and third time he made the attempt, with no better success, turning around two or three times at each trial, till finally catching hold of a post, he exclaimed, "Well I'm darned if she isn't the prettiest specimen, and this the most slippery prospecting, I've found yet."

Shoulder Coffins!—The editor of the Charleston *Evening News* says: "For one, we are prepared to march up to 36 30 with our coffin on our back. Who goes with us?"

California Letter Writers.

Nothing has ever more effectually given California a bad reputation at home, than the loose and unwarranted style of letter-writing, and in many instances the actual falsehoods of those who have not met with success here, either because of their indolence, or for reasons which would be more discreditable to them than to California.

In the Kennebec *Journal*, published at Augusta, Maine, we find extracts from several letters detailing the horrible state of business and society here, and putting the worst face upon every thing. If such persons are *honest* in their opinions, the best advice we could give, would be, to leave the State in the first steamer, and get away, as soon as possible, from so evil a locality. San Francisco and her business men, are thus pictured by Ralph Butler, writing from this city under date of Aug. 25th:

"There never was a greater set of finished scoundrels congregated in one place, than in this city. They seem to look on lying as a virtue. Every man for himself here—the dollars are the object, and many seem determined to get them regardless of the means used. Many merchants in the States will be ruined by the unfaithfulness of their agents here.

"Property is frequently sold for less than a quarter of the cost in the States. Some fifty tons of wrought nails were sold here last spring for one dollar per cask of 500 lbs., less than ¼ cent per lb., and many descriptions of property are sacrificed in like manner."

Now, if we were in Mr. Butler's place, if we entertained such ideas of the citizens of San Francisco, we would *vamose*, in double quick time, for fear of the corrupting influences! Such "a set of *finished scoundrels*" may have an injurious effect upon the morals of an upright man.

Another of these disappointed gold seekers, who has been too lazy to dig, and who anticipated sudden fortune, is Mr. Jas. Varney, of Brooks, Maine, whose letter is published in the Belfast *Journal*, and who gives his opinions of California after the following fashion:

"I know that King, Fremont, and others, have represented this to be a fine, healthy, good agricultural, *beautiful* country, but it is a downright falsehood, a complete humbug. There are spots where a man can cultivate a piece of land of the bigness of a woman's apron, but I would not exchange my father's garden, for every foot of soil north of the harbor of San Francisco. The earth is drenched and flooded by the rains of winter, and parched to death by the scorching sun of summer, which is sufficient reason to show that this is not, indeed cannot be, a healthy country. So it is with the remaining humbugs about California. Papers in the States have still good news from the mines, and every week reports some big raise of gold; stories which are invented and circulated by a set of scoundrels,—the meanest men on the face of the earth. I refer to some of the traders and merchants in the cities below. It is the general opinion of the miners that they start these reports, for they never start from the mines."

Now this same *hombre* who so eloquently denounces California, says in another part of his letter that *some* are making fortunes in the mines, while others are averaging eight dollars per day. If he can point out a place in the States, or name any business, that is as productive as that which he sets down as so contemptible, California should not restrain his ambition to find the more glittering *El Dorado*.

The name of the writer of the following extract is not given, but he is evidently one of the kind who came to California to "make his pile" in a day, and finding he must labor here as well as at home, vents his disappointment in this wise:

"I have observed the most rigid and parsimonious economy in all my expenditures; but for the life of me, it has not been in my power to "make my pile," and I have given up that idea altogether. I am not alone in this dilemma, I presume the prospects of 100,000 now in California are no better, and perhaps not so good as mine. You can form but a faint idea of the present deplorable state of things in this country; and you would shudder at what is approaching in a short time, were you made fully acquainted with the condition of things as they really are.

"The false reports of men high in authority, such as —— and ——, are going to produce more heart-rending misery to this country than anything else that has ever happened: and I would not vouch hereafter for the safety of their lives, should they be caught in this country. I have heard many who have been induced to leave their homes and families, and to spend all in coming to this country, solely upon these reports, swear vengeance against them. Their reports are perfect fabrications—lies from beginning to end, and are made with interested motives, in order to induce emigration."

The fact is, too many have come to California under the impression, when they started, that they have only to step upon the shore at San Francisco to realize a fortune, that money is to be had in such lavish abundance, that silver is of no accounnt; that gold alone is valuable. Thousands have strained every point to raise money to get here, fancying a return in a day, and when they realize that fortunes have to be *dug out* in California, as well as elsewhere, their disappointment generally finds utterance in such lamentations as the specimens we give above. No country on the face of the globe ever offered such inducements for the investment of capital, and none ever yielded so rich a return for patient industry. For one *one-eighth* the reward in other States, for unceasing labor, which can be realized here, men work from the rising to the going down of the sun, but because they are in California, they must realize the wealth of a *millionaire* in a day, or the country is denounced as a barren waste, as a "humbug," the rendezvous of thieves and scoundrels, and a land of misery. *We* have not realized but a fraction of our anticipations when we shipped for California, but instead of denouncing the country, we are ready to say, what we believe, that it is as desirable for legitimate active business, as any country on earth. Give us California yet, beyond all others.

Record of City Courts.

Monday, January 27.

Superior Court.—Hon. D. O. Shattuck, Associate Justice.

Gosse & Espic vs. Leopold Brugier.—Parties waived a jury—witnesses sworn and examined, and cause taken into consideration. Vason and Hubert for plaintiffs. Holland and Pillet for defendant.

Before Hon. J. Caleb Smith.

George Callard vs. Ann Matthews.—Judgment for plaintiff in the sum of $1000, with interest at ten per cent. per month, from the 20th day of September, 1850.

Before Chief Justice Murray.

J. B. Lippincott vs. J. W. Hanson, et. al.—Ordered that Winter & Latimer, heretofore appointed receiver in this case, show cause why an attachment should not be issued against them for a contempt of court.

Cæsar Schnepel vs. Castor Ovalli—Leave granted to plaintiff to amend his complaint, and ordered that hearing of the case be postponed to a future day. Burrit for plaintiff.

Kyle vs. Chipman, et. al.—On motion of plaintiff, it is ordered that Thursday next be set for hearing this cause.

George W. Bradley vs. Hull & Wightman—Motion for a non-suit overruled. The court overruled the testimony in the case, and defendant's counsel excepted. Mount & Shattuck for plaintiff; Eddy & Stimson for defendants.

County Court of Appeals.—Hon. R. N. Morrison, presiding.

Hagerty vs. Capt. Capes—Ordered that the papers be returned to the magistrate, who will make a more complete return as to whether the defendant appeared before the court, and make return by to-morrow.

Jose and Jesus Noe vs. Clark & Campbell—Proofs and allegations submitted, and the court adjourned the case to the 28th.

McIntosh vs. Schooner Eclipse—Ordered that the case stand over till to-day.

Stappen, et. al. vs. C. Schmidan—Ordered that the case stand over till to-day.

Probate Court.—Hon. R. N. Morrison, presiding.

In matter of the estate of Joseph J. Smith, deceased—Ordered that William D. Smith be appointed Administrator of the above estate, on filing a bond in the sum of one thousand dollars.

District Court.—Hon. Levi Parsons, presiding.

Edward A. King vs. McCormack & Parker—Judgment final by default on proof, in the sum of $745 64.

John Walsh vs. Weiss & Pierce—Judgment final by default, in the sum of $1010, with interest at the rate of 5 1-2 per cent per month.

A. Bliss vs. Cooke, Baker & Co.—Demurrer sustained, with leave to amend in five days.

Peter Hoag vs. State Marine Hospital—Judgment by default.

John S. Eagan vs. Theodore Shillaber—Demurrer overruled, and leave given to amend in five days.

J. G. Silveria vs. W. T. Mills—Motion for a new trial overruled.

Recorder's Court.—Hon. F. Tilford, presiding.

For being riotous and disorderly, John Reed was fined $5; George Hempstead, $10; John Ross, $20; George Conway, $20, or ten days imprisonment; Thomas Ferris, John Alexander, Mark Veranda, John Gilchrist, and Thos. Thompson, were discharged.

Robert Ogden, for a breach of the peace, was discharged, the complainant not appearing.

Jonathan Wild, for petit larceny, was bound over to the District Court, in the sum of $500.

J. H. Craigmiles, for obtaining money under false pretences, was continued until to-morrow.

John King, Richard Howe and William Ray, for same offence, were discharged.

E. M. Bryan, for an assault with an intent to kill a person named Carney, was continued until to-day, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

French Vaudeville Company.—This really talented company gave another of their agreeable entertainments on Sunday, at the French Theatre, in Clay street. We were never more gratified in our lives at any similar performance, and if we may judge by the continued expressions of applause which greeted them from the commencement to the fall of the curtain, we were not alone in our admiration.

The audience was of a character that should warrant the Company in believing that their talents are appreciated in the right quarter, and so long as they continue their present efforts, they will be well sustained.

The inner portion of the building has been completely remodeled, a tier of boxes run clear round to the stage on each side, private boxes tastefully arranged, and the whole appropriately trimmed and decorated. It is now one of the most quiet and genteel places of amusement in the town, and if the entertainments of the French company failed to attract, the laughing black eyes of Eleonore, the beauty and grace of Adelbert, and the quiet winning ways of Racine, would serve to fill the house nightly.

New Banking House.—We copy the following from the Sacramento *Index* of Saturday. The reputation for correct business habits which the firm have established in this city, guaranties like safety, prudence and good management at Sacramento. Mr. Fiske is the agent in that city.

Banking House.—Messrs. Page, Bacon & Co., who have been for some months established in San Francisco, have opened a branch of their concern in J street, north side, between 4th and 5th in this city. We have the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with one of the Junior partners, Mr. H. Haight, formerly of the Bank of Monroe, at Rochester, N. Y., and we venture to say that a more upright or honorable man does not exist.

The firm has deservedly ranked among the very first class of banking houses in this country, and we are happy to see that they have established a house in this city.

"Throwing for Tickets."—In a stroll around the Plaza last evening, we observed a new way of raising the wind and of disposing of stocks of fancy goods and jewelry. In addition to the new way of selling by lottery, tickets were sold by throwing dice. The price of a ticket was made up by different individuals, and the money deposited on the table, the dice thrown, and the highest throw gained the ticket. The love of excitement and the penchant for games of chance, induced many adventurers to try their luck, much to the profit of the ticket vender. California appears to be improving in the science of mercantile operations.

Robbery.—Yesterday an individual named *John Urquhart*, appeared before the Recorder, and made oath that he had been robbed of $550 in gold, at the Baltimore & Philadelphia Hotel on Pacific street. He stated that the evening previous, he went to the hotel in a state of intoxication, and laid down, and upon awaking in the morning, he discovered his pocket cut, and the money abstracted. He is led to believe from circumstances, that the act was committed by some one belonging to the establishment. A warrant was issued for their arrest.

Return of the General Warren from Gold Bluff.

By the arrival of the Steamship General Warren at this port, yesterday afternoon, we have very late advices from this interesting quarter. The following letter frem Col. Easterbrook will give all that emigrants need for their information:

San Francisco, Jan 26, 1851.

Editors of the Pacific News:

I was one among about seventy-five passengers who left this place January 8th, in the Steamer General Warren, on her first trip to Trinidad and Humboldt Bays. Our passage up, encountering a strong head wind, was very rough,

On arriving opposite the bar, (the entrance to Humboldt Bay,) Capt. Smith concluded not to go in till his return. We anchored in the little bay of Trinidad about 10 o'clock P.M. The "Chesapeake" had arrived three or four hours before us. Owing to the limited means for getting freight and passengers ashore, there was quite an exciting time for a few hours. There was perhaps, three hundred people in the town. The main topic of conversation was the Gold Bluff. Obtaining the best information we could, from those who had just left the black sand, it was decided to abandon the idea of making any further efforts to tread the golden banks, or extract its glittering treasure.

Trinidad and Uniontown are destined to become places of considerable magnitude: the former, possessing better advantages for the entrance of vessels and receiving freight will be the place of the most rapid growth.

If in the issue, the Gold Bluff proves (as it probably already has,) a failure, I think great good will proceed from it. There is little doubt but what great quantities of gold lie deposited in this region. The miners already here that have decided not to go to the Bluff, are sanguin of reaping a rich harvest the coming spring, in the vicinity of Scott's, Shasta. Klamath and Trinity rivers. Salmon and Weaver Creeks are also said to be rich diggings. From Trinidad, the distances are, about 180 miles to Scott's and Shasta rivers; Salmon Creek 120, Weaver 90, Trinity 65, mouth of Klamath 40.

The steamer Gen. Warren will run regularly on this coast, and a finer boat or better captain is not to be found. Capt. Smith is a business and working man, and everything with him is done at railroad speed.

We left Trinidad on Wednesday. Returning, we entered Humboldt Bay. It seemed almost impossible for the vessel to cross the bar; the tide running out, and the surf rolling in, the bar and entrance were lashed into a perfect fury. The Gen. Warren rode triumphantly over, to the great relief of all on board. Union, Eureka and Humboldt are the towns on the bay. The bay is 15 miles in length. Vessels can only go to Eureka about seven miles, where they are obliged to anchor. From this place freight has to be taken to Union Town in small boats.

Yours, W. W. Estabrook.

Common Council.

Monday Evening, Jan. 27.

Board of Aldermen.—Present, Aldermen Green, Middleton, Mott, Minturn, Stewart, Robinson and Cronise.

Petitions.—Of John Eagan, to be paid $4,500 for building engine house of Howard Hook & Ladder Co. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Reports of Committees.—The Committee on Finance reported that the bills ordered paid amounted to $25,328 49, and bills not paid, $22,605 82. Committee on Wharves, Streets, &c., reported favorably to grading and planking First street. Also a bill establishing the rates of wharfage, and the duties of the wharfinger, which was made the special order for Friday next.

Ordinances.—Giving to each policeman, for every arrest and conviction, $5 of the fine levied, on all fines not exceeding $50; over that amount, twenty per cent. Also, an ordinance prohibiting gambling of any kind whatever, in the streets, alleys, or on the wharves. Also appointing an inspector of Markets.

Resolutions.—Levying a tax upon hawkers, pedlers, &c., laid upon the table. Resolution adding Alfred Wheeler and —— Bryan to the committee already appointed by the Common Council, to proceed to San Jose and procure a grant from the Legislature of all submerged lands to the city withih its limits.

Report from the Street Commissioner, with an assessment list, was received, and the assessments confirmed.

Concurrences.—Giving the room formerly occupied by the Recorder to the Washington Guards, as a drill-room; bills of Clerks and Inspectors of Elections; bill of Wm. Walker for cartage to hospital: bill of John C. White for removing garbage; bill of City Sexton, referred to Finance Committee.

Adjourned till Friday evening.

Assistant Aldermen.—Present, Aldermen Grant, Gibbs, Corbett, Van Ness, Bartol: absent, Wilson and Sharron. President Bartol in the Chair.

Petitions—From A. Bartol, in behalf of the Washington Guards, asking the use of the apartment lately used by the Recorder as a court room, for a drill-room. Granted.

Bills.—For services of the cook at the Cholera Hospital. Referred to the Comittee on Finance.

Several bills for services at the late election. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Bill from Mr. Battersby, $2214, for removal of filth in cholera times. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Bill from the city Sexton ordered to be paid. Also from John C. White and Wm. Walker.

Ordinances.—Ald. Bartol called up the Ordinance for piling and planking Sacramento street from Davis to Drum, and moved its third reading. Lost.

The Ordinance authorizing the collection of the assessment for the improvement of Sansome street from Jackson to Broadway was taken up and concurred in.

Ald. Corbett presented an ordinance to allow the Comptroller to issue *certificates* for audited bills of *any amount*. Rules suspended and ordered to engrossment.

A report of the Comptroller showing the amount of Scrip issued, and for what, up to the 27th of November last; turned up, how, or from whence, no one could tell. The amount outstanding at that time was $514,356 26. The report was laid on the table.

Adjourned to Monday evening.

Auction Sales.—*Lafitte & Co.* sell this morning at 10 o'clock, the fine brig Marshall, together with a large variety of groceries, &c.

Caldwell & Emerson, sell at 10 o'clock, paintings, engravings, groceries, &c.

Rising, Caselli & Co., at 10½ o'clock, offer a large assortment of desirable goods.

☞ The *Herald*, yesterday, made its appearance in a new and neat dress, and materially enlarged. This should be the best evidence of success.

Lecture on Physiology.—Dr. Gibbons gives the first lecture of his course this evening, at 7 o'clock, at the Baptist Chapel.

BY LAST NIGHT'S BOAT.

From Sacramento.

Freeman & Co., and J. W. Gregory furnished us Sacramento papers of yesterday morning.

John Brown, convicted of horse stealing, and sentenced to four years imprisonment, escaped from the prison brig on Friday night.

On Saturday, three more horse thieves were sentenced; Jonathan Herndon for 18 months; Chas. Currier for two years; Cha's Huff for same time.

Rain commenced falling at Sacramento on Sunday night.

The house of John Cooke, on I street, was entered Sunday morning, while the family were at church, but nothing of value taken.

Seven deaths occurred in Sacramento during the week ending the 25th.

Robbery.—The office occupied by Rev. Mr. Benton was robbed of about $250 on Sunday evening last, while Mr. Benton was at church. The thief entered a window and examined nearly every thing in the house, evidently taking his time in throwing things about, knowing that no one was likely to molest him during his occupation. We learn that a portion of the money belonged to the Bible or Tract Societies. [Times.

Italian Opera.—On Friday last we witnessed the representation of several acts of Italian Opera at Foley's Ampitheatre, by the "Lyric Troupe," lately arrived in this city. It was really magnificent, and beautifully executed. Mrs. Rotina Mauri has a fine sophrano voice, and is a very distinguished artist. The Senor Pelligrini possesses a soft and touching voice, and unites with it the talent of carrying the public applause. In the "Death of Ernani" he surpassed all expectations. Mr. Acquarani, the bass, has a thundering voice, and performs well. We passed a charming evening, and await with impatience the representation of another opera by them.

Since the above was in type, we have learned that the company will give an entertainment this evening, at Foley's Amphitheatre.

Law Regulating Interest.

There is a strong feeling amongst the people against the law which has already passed the Assembly, in regulating rate of interest on money. If the law could be made effective in restrainiag the Shylock disposition of *some* money-lenders, might be well enough; but that is utterly impossible.

The Placer *Times* makes the following sensible remark on the subject:

Interest.—The interest bill pending before the Legislature, will not, in the event of its passage, be popular with our citizens.—Money should be allowed, like any other commodity, to sell for what it will bring. In this country, no enactment can prevent persons from taking exorbitant interest. They will do it indirectly, if no other way. If a person be compelled to hire money, he cannot obtain it any the sooner because we have a statute law, making it usury to receive more than one and a-half per cent. a month. The truth is, we do not want any binding regulations in regard to the matter. If the borrower and lender can agree, it is all we require.

There are different branches of business in California, which will afford a larger profit upon capital than eighteen per cent.; and persons will be very likely to put their money elsewhere, than at interest, unless a larger per centage be paid. A law forbidding all interest in the State, would be very nearly the same effect as the proposition before the Legislature.

If we have a body of men at San Jose, who know what California requires, they will let this subject alone.

Virginia Politics.—The Virginia Legislature met at Richmond, Dec 2d.

The Convention (135 members) for amending the constitution, adjourned, after a session of several days, to the first Monday in January, to avail themselves of the census in fixing upon a basis of representation.

The main controversy in the Convention will be between those residing in the State, on the east, and those on the west of the Blue Ridge. There are 58 members west of the Blue Ridge, and 76 east, whilst the latter represent a minority of white population of about 100,000. The white population in the State is about double that of the slave. The white population is now estimated at about 900,000, and the slave 450,000. In 1840, the slave population was 448,988; in 1830, 469,755: showing a decrease in ten years of about 20,767.

In 1840, east of the Blue Ridge, there were 392,251, and west, 53.737, or about one-seventh.

There have been forty or fifty thousand emigrants who have taken the overland route, and they now begin already to arrive. A great portion of them are in a famishing state, and will die from hunger and thirst, and will leave their bones to bleach upon the barren salæratus plains; those who reach here will be out of means and out of employment.

Commercial.

Monday, Jan. 27.

The sales by auction to-day of clothing, were large, but the prices not remunerative, nor can shippers expect satisfactory returns until an immense amount of stock now in second hands is consumed. The recent arrivals from New York have added materially to stocks, and prices must be unfavorably affected. Another reason why prices must remain low will be found in the fact that the winter's labor of many thousands in the dry diggings has, through the unprecedented lack of rain, been profitless. Their subsistence in the mean while has been drawn from the traders, whose only alternative was to sell on credit, trusting to the usual chapter of accidents to bring them their pay. The weather of the next few weeks will have the most important bearing upon the price of goods. Should it be favorable for winter mining, present prices may be nearly realized, otherwise the economy which consumers who are in debt must use, added to the large increase of stock the next few months will bring, will reduce prices still lower.

For state warrants there is more inquiry, and a little more demand for city scrip.

Passengers Sailed.

Per steamer Goliah for Gold Bluff—E Leiders, Jno K Price, Wm Perry, Mr Whipley, lady and 3 servts, Jas Arrington, Messrs Moretto, McDonald, Ora, Clemente and servt. Lopez and lady, Mrs Irene McCabe, Mrs Frances Raines and servt, Toney Carr, Samuel White, H F Mayer, L White, J H Ingersoll, F McManners, F Rohrer, T Douglass, J Reed, J Miller, H Kidd, R Boile, Chas and M Hall, J S Paine, G W Ryan, T Megroth, C Ethridge, J Booby, H Harrison, S Legg, F Antonio, B Castillo, F Rodriques, C Rodriques, J Guerrino, M Ernander, F Lopez, G Maxliner, A Poxter, J Sutton, J Brown, E Teague, S Teague, G Burkhart, F Burkhart, F Gilbert, E Higgins, E Williams, T Williams, J Williams, W Kennedy, J Kennedy, D Hinton, T White, G Crammor, F Rickman, F Bach, M D Morris, F G Condrey, Thos Elliott, Wm Orr, J Dodson, V Rambler, J Driscott, J Botares, A Loran, E DeWitt, Mr Briggs, Mr Dow, Mr Buck, J Cassno, and 40 deck passengers.

☞ Mr. M. Huntington, or F. H. Freeman, will please call at the office of Law's Line Pacific Steamers, as early as possible, and oblige OLIVER CHARLICK,

jan28 Consignee of steamship Republic.

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DIED.

January 28, at sea, on board the steamer General Warren, Francis Reeds, 22 Engineer aged about 28. of chronic consumption.

In Colusa, on the 20th of January, of typhoid fever, W. T. Richards, of Fellsby, Ohio, aged 32.

SACRAMENTO.—Names of deceased persons for the week ending January 25.

Jan. 18—Hungerford Sealy, 47, Ireland.
" —John Carsin, 22, Columbia.
" —A stranger.
" 24—Henry Sloane, 35, Mansfield co., Ohio.
" 25—Wm McFarland, 28, Ky.
" 26—Wm C. Bryan, 36, Mo.
" 27—John L. Bishop, 42, New Hampshire.

Passengers Arrived.

Per General Warren—Messrs H B Lamott, H S Osbond, Underwood, M Humphreys and lady, Mrs Ackley, Truman, Craig Doolin, Bartlett, Hanstone, Warren, Ward Wilson, Brackey, Wales, Turner, Sewell, Thomas, Major Eastbrook.

Consignees.

Per Royal Saxon—R B King & Co.

MARINE NEWS.

☞ To Masters of Ships and Others.—Files of the *Pacific* will always be found on file at our office in all vessels leaving San Francisco for foreign ports, on application at the office, where a register is kept. In return we desire the latest papers, we can get, of all foreign intelligence from abroad. Files also supplied to merchants to send to their correspondents, without charge.

Cleared.

January 27.

Ship John Baring, Hussy, Shanghai.

Arrived.

Brig S D Hustin, Blackmore, 170 da fm New York via Talcahuano, 60 da, to master. Round to Sacramento.

Brig Alert, Cundell, 23 da fm New York via Valparaiso 30 da. Lumber to master.

Br bark Royal Saxon, 230 da fm Baltimore via Callao, 46 da.

Steamer General Warren, Smith, 4 da from Trinidad via Humboldt, 2 da.

Memoranda.

Per General Warren—Left in Trinidad Bay. Steamer Chesapeake for Gold Bluff, next day. Spoke Colonel Wright with pilot. Left at Lahaina Jan 8, bark Minerva, brig North Bend, ship Alexander Coffin, hence for Callao.

Astoria. Maria. Sarah Lavina. Josephine. Bonneke, Robert Bruce, and Julia Springie, wig cargo.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

☞ Howard Engine Co.—Members of this company are requested to meet on THURSDAY evening, Jan. 30th, at 7½ o'clock, for the transaction of important business.

By order of

JOHN McARTY, Secretary.

☞ Ship Hannah Crocker, from Boston.—Consignees by this ship are notified that she is ready to discharge, and are requested to call at the office of the undersigned, pay their freight and receive an order for their goods.

D. D. MALLORY,
Office with Messrs. Tarner, Fish & Co., Sansome st.
jan24 1w*

☞ GOLD DUST forwarded to the United States at 3 per cent. including Freight and insurance, through the facilities of the Atlantic Mutual insurance Company.

Bolton New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Richmond, Va. in sums to suit.

SEEBER LUDLOW & CO.
Sup23 Clay street, 2d door from Montgomery.

☞ Notice.—The undersigned, late partners in the firm of Cousens have expired, are hereby notified to have them renewed. And all persons found indebted to said firm are hereby after this date, without proper authority, will be legally prosecuted accordingly. See Act regulating Auctioneers and prescribing their duties; Sec. 11th and 21st.

C. E. BUCKINGHAM,
jan21 1w County Treasurer.

☞ Notice—The Office of the COUNTY TREASURER is removed to the second floor of the City Hall, Kearny st.

CHANGE BUILDINGS, corner of Clay and Kearny sts, to the Plaza.

C. E. BUCKINGHAM,
jan11 lm County Treasurer.

☞ Notice.—The undersigned has appointed Messrs. THOMAS & SCHELL, 178 Kearny street, Up Stairs, his agents, to receive his rents. San Francisco, Dec. 14th, 1850.

JOHN MACKAY.

☞ Ship Mary Mitchell.—Consignees by this ship are hereby notified that she is now discharging alongside and are requested to call at MOORE & FOLGER'S, Montgomery street, pay freight, and receive orders for their goods. (jan9) G. B. ELKINS.

☞ Justice of the Peace.—ORRIN BAILEY will open his office on the 6th inst. in the Brick Building on Clay street, between Montgomery and Kearny 473

☞ State Warrants in Small Sums.—For Sale, Warrants on the State Treasury in sums of $50, $75 and $100, receivable for State Taxes, Auction Duties, &c. Inquire at the office of Burgoyne, Montgomery street, next door to Cronin & Morisky's. jan7

☞ Notice.—Masters of vessels requiring Pilots to sail, or wishing to settle Pilotage bills, will please call at the office on Commercial street, opposite Thomas Mitchum's office of steamers Senator and New World.

SUBSCRIBER & NELSON, Agents.
jan17

Card. LOOK at this!

Being in a feeble state of health, the subscriber is compelled to take a voyage to the Pacific Islands, and will therefore sell out his stock in trade and good will, at low cost per Inventory, or receive a partner who can advance either the same sum he has invested, or even less, if said partner is in other respects desirable. He has been for the last divided equally and amicably about TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS. Called himself, he thinks he can do much more can be done over again and he would venture to say $20,000 during the business year, as he is in a place would be immediate, his experience in purchasing, selling, &c. would be given wholly to the business with which he signs. He has two stores in full and successful operation. Apply in person at the store of the subscriber, 106 Leidesdorff st. ROBERT JACKSON.

SECOND GRAND CONCERT.

☞ THE SECOND Concert by Madame VAN ULFEN, on WEDNESDAY, Jan 29th, at the ADELPHI THEATRE, which has been fitted up in a very neat and commodious manner, with a private entrance on Clay street.

The programme, containing a fine selection of vocal and instrumental pieces, will be most attractive. jan28 1

☞ VALENTIN G. VALENTIN,
BONESTELL & WILLISTON, Post-Office Piazza, have received by the last steamer a large assortment of splendid Valentines which they offer at low prices.

Also on hand at the latest Novels, Magazines, Newspapers &c. &c. BONESTELL & WILLISTON,
jan28 Post-office Piazza.

CITY SCRIP.

CITY SCRIP will be taken in exchange for a large and valuable House situated in the best business part of the City, and yielding a handsome rental, or applied to E. H. LATTIN, No. 279 Montgomery st., where place &c., can be seen.

SHIP AND STEAMBOAT BLACKSMITH.

SHIVELS from hair inch to two inches on hand and made to order at short notice, mooring chains, &c. &c. JAMES DUNN,
jan28 1m Leidesdorff st. wharf.

TWENTY DOLLARS! TWENTY DOLLARS!

THE SUBSCRIBERS offer the Legal Tender of the remaining copies of the Statutes of California, at the above rate. COVEL & CO.
jan28 Law Bookseller.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

THE UNDERSIGNED will pay the above reward for a NOTE BOOK, lost by him on Tuesday last on the 19th inst. Papers in it give the name of R. R. BEASLEY. It should be left at WHEELER'S Auction Store, corner of Sacramento and Kearny streets, and no questions will be asked.

TO PRINTERS AND PUBLISHERS.

JAMES DUNN, PRINTING PRESS MANUFACTORY. Self-inkers, Chases, &c., &c. Brass Rules and Washington Hand and Power Presses of all kinds, set up in running order. jan27 1m San Francisco.

☞ Jobbing and Blacksmithing executed promptly. jan27

SUBSCRIPTIONS RECEIVED

BY BURGESS, GILLIS & STILL, for Henry S. Graham's, Godey's and Union Magazines, and for any paper published in the United States. The only authorized agents for California.

GOVERNMENT CLAIMS:

WHITING & FREELON, Counsellors at Law, *Office south side Plaza, two doors below Judge Brown's* jan28

T. W. FREELON, (late Captain 15th Infantry,) has made arrangements with Peter D. Whiting, late 2d Auditor, to attend to all Government claims for bounty lands, allowance for back pay, travelling expenses, collecting of revenue, &c. &c. at Washington. Reference is made to Col. C. E. Green, Custom House, Boston, Mass., Deputy Collector, as to the efficiency and success of this Agency.

Particular attention has been paid to the claims of Col. Stevenson's Regiment. jan13 1f

FRESH SUGAR CURED Boston Hams, Sausages, Bologna and Steamboat Wood, just received per ship HANNAH CROCKER from Boston, and for sale by jan22 6 BURGESS, GILLIS & STILL.

Scoresby WM. GRAY, Battery wharf, Clark's Point.

NOTICE.

100 DOLLARS REWARD.—Any person giving such information as will bring to justice the individuals who obtained goods on false representations on board Sloop Catalo, on Friday night, Oct. 25, shall receive the above reward. jan13 1f

AUCTION SALES.

By RISING, CASELLI & CO.,
Auction and Commission Merchants, California st, between Leidesdorff and Sansome sts.
(Agents in New York—R. B. Payton & Co.)

Regular Days of Sale—TUE-DAYS and FRIDAYS.

THIS DAY.

Jan 28th, at 10½ o'clock, A. M. at sales room, for account of underwriters.

Two portable wooden houses, per steamer Eudora, from New York, consisting of 2 parlors, 2 bed rooms, 2 closets, 2 entries 15 per, 8 number; 2 house roofing, 2 do hardware, packed K W. in square, deliverable from the ship's tackle, and purchaser to take all risk of being complete or incomplete, as shipped at the port of New York.

AFTER WHICH,

Will be offered a superior lot of fresh TEA, which can be examined at the sales room.

—ALSO—

(3000 bags of Chili Flour, in sloops, bulves and quarters; together with a general assortment of Groceries, Liquors, Cigars, and merchandize generally, consisting of—

100 cases superior brandy
60 quarter casks claret
100 cases champagne wine, approved brand
25 kegs port wine, 18 gals.
Jamaica rum and sherry wine in barrels
Molasses in barrels
24 doz corn brooms
2 cases brandy fruit
50 cases assorted pickles in oil, of 1 doz ea
50 cases sardines in oil
300 half and quarter bbls prime mess and clear pork
200 boxes raisins
6000 lbs best sugar cured hams
15,000 lbs crushed sugar
300 lbs best clarified lard
25 pieces pickles, ½ gal pats
20 cases of Hostetter's and Lime apple cheese
200 kits No 1 mackerel
Butter 12 oz bars and firkins
An invoice of boots
Ginger Snaps and tin
Pea and bean flour in cases
Blankets and a general assortment of Spanish and California cigars Also, a variety of

CLOTHING,

consisting of
100 dozen ready made shirts
50 do woolen and cotton undershirts and drawers
50 do superfine black Cashmere gloves
50 do suspenders
50 do shell combs
24 do playing cards
Red and blue flannel shirts
Pants made yards &c. &c. &c.

AT PRIVATE SALE,

1 pile driver
Gorham butter of prime quality
2 bch white plank for doors
14 gross assorted matches

By STARR, MINTURN & CO.
(Fire-proof Sales Rooms, cor. California and Leidesdorff sts.)

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, at 11 o'clock, at sales room,

A small invoice of gold, silver, and gilt lever, anchor, duplex and half plate watches.

JUST IN,

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 29th, at 10 o'clock, at sales room,
Four Fresh Teas, New Crop,
Cargo of the Sloop Sierra Nevada, in short passage of 24 days from Hongkong.

Hyson	Gunpowder
Young Hyson	Imperial
Hyson Skin	Scented
Twankay	Oolong.

in 8 and 5 lb boxes, selected for the market.

Catalogues will be ready, and the sample packages arranged for examination on Monday.

BY THEODORE PAYNE & CO.
(Successors to Payne & Sheppard.)
Store No. 267 Montgomery st. between Jackson and Washington streets.

THURSDAY, Jan. 30, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on Portsmouth Square.

Sale of Valuable City Property—60 City Lots.

City scrip, suitable for investment, will be taken. Approved bonds and warrants taken in payment at par value.

These lots will be sold in lots to suit purchasers on beach and water lots, and a fine wharf is now in course of construction adjoining.

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J. N. CALDWELL, Auctioneer.
CALDWELL & EVERSON.
(277 Montgomery st, between Clay and Commercial.)

THIS DAY,

Jan. 28, at 10 o'clock, at sales room,

50 oil paintings and engravings
60 Native Louisiana mess, 4 superior draye
6 carts, 30 canisters Dupont's gunpowder
150 copper cased bolts, 16 oz. 10 by 24 inches
100 bags Chili bonne, 10,000 the pouches sugar
10 brass adamantine lamps, 10,000 fine Brazil do
20 br Spanish cigars
50 oil paintings and engravings
An invoice of mirrors
An assortment of hardware, consisting of carpenter's tools, augurs, saws, hatchets, hatting tubs, and gutters for

—ALSO—

400 cases wines and liquors, 25 cases sardines
50 bbls claret, 20 bbls claret
2 br 3 pot Australian lumber, suitable for endorgers
Window sashes, doors and blinds. jan28

Henry B. Lafitte, Auctioneer,
By H. Lent & Co., 169 Jackson st.
(No. 279 Montgomery street.)

THIS (TUESDAY,) MORNING, January 28th, at 10 o'clock,

The brig "Diamond" 170 tons burthen, 2 years old, 2 copper bottomed, well found, and quarter decks Australian and Chile Packet.

500 tins French preserved meats, vegetables, &c. fresh,
200 bbls Cognac Brandy, 50 ½ chocquets Brandy,
150 bags Dairy Butter, 150 baskets Champagne,
100 do Sardines, 200 do Claret,
50,000 lbs. Bro. Sugar, 200 do Xeres do,
50 mats China do, 60 do 10 cases do do,
60 do. crushed do, 20 do Sup. Brandy,
50 boxes Loaf Sugar, 10 bags Nuts,
40 bxs Bacon, 300 do Beans
50 bags Graham Flour, 200 bags Potatoes,
60 bales Black Jeans, 1200 ½ Chests
50 bales Drs. Muslin and 20 bxs. assd. Tobacco,
Drills, 15 bxs. Candles,
15 Dandy carts, 25 do Corn Brooms,
2 Horses and Harness, 25 do Corn Brooms,
1 Saddle and Bridle. 1 bale Rope.

Blankets, Clothing, Rubbers, Pictures, Tobacco, Wash Basins, Jug Engravings, Envelopes, Red Quills, Reds, Pickles, &c. &c.

jan27 1d

By JOHN MIDDLET ON, Auctioneer.

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SMILEY & WILLIAMS,
A CARD—The Auction and Commission business will be continued at its old stand, No. 4 Battery st. between Sacramento and Clay st.

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REGULAR SALES as follows:
On MONDAYS, Catalogue Sales of Boots, Shoes and Clothing.
On WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, Cargo Sales of Groceries, Liquors and Staple Goods.

Sale of Groceries, Liquors, Stones, &c.
On WEDNESDAY morning, Jan. 29, at sales room, at 10 o'clock precisely,

25 qr casks superior wines
15 cases port wine
10 hdrs sperm candles
12 do affaine do
20 do mould do
5 bbls Jamaica rum
10 qr casks claret wine
10,000 genuine Havana cigars

PARLOR AND COOKING STOVES.
Also—25 new style parlor stoves
25 do cooking do No 1
25 do do do No 2
25 do do do No 3

Lumber, Shingles, Hardware, &c. at lumber yard foot of Washington street, at 10½ o'clock.

80 bundles shingles
130 planed boards
23 window sash
36 doors
24 boxes door frames, window frames, hardware, &c
12,000 feet lumber, joist and plank
2,000 " ½ in lumber
3,000 " yellow pine flooring
2,000 " white pine siding
1,000 " shingle lath
3m pale window shutters
18 " window blinds

AT PRIVATE SALE.
20 shares stock in the Guadalupe Quicksilver Mining Company.

SALES.
BARK CARLISLE.—The A 1 bark Carlisle, 300 tons measurement, 700 tons dead weight Burthen, first inventory, in perfect order, well found, and ready for any voyage. Apply to JOHN MIDDLETON

A FINE INVOICE
OF BLANK BOOKS AND STATIONERY, just received per ship Lebanon, from Boston, viz: Ledgers, Journals and Day Books, half bound, royal and medium Records, half bound, royal and medium Cash Books, 100 doz. Pass Books, 200 reams superior letter and note paper, 100 reams foolscap, 200 gross steel pens, assorted, (warranted to prove correct) legal cap, copying and envelope paper, 50 gross lead pencils, assorted, 10 reams blank notes, 10 reams French, People's, satin enamelled, India, Ivory, colored and tinted cards, 10 gross Mason's blacking, 10 gross ½ oz. 20 qrs. each; 5 doz. large office Inkstands, Britannia and other Mucilagers; Counting House Rulers and a large assortment, fine Cutlery, &c. &c. The above was purchased with great care, and will be sold in small quantities, wholesale and retail, at the Pioneer Book Store by

MARVIN & HITCHCOCK,
jan28 Herald Building, Montgomery st.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

THE SPIRIT RAPPERS, by Robert Dale Owen, have just received per steamer OREGON, and offer for sale at the Pioneer Book Store

NEW BOOKS
THE GHOALS OF NEW YORK, by Ned Buntline,
ROLAND CASHEL, by Lever, equal to Chas. O'Malley,
EVELYN LESTRANGE, by Mrs. Gore, author of Mansfield Rectors,
Lafitte, Gold and Darkness, or the Mysteries of Life, by Mrs. Crowe, author of the Night Side of Nature.
The Forest Days, by James,
Pride and Prudence, by T. S. Arthur.
The above books are for sale at the reduced rate.
Lincoln, Ivory Axe, wholesale and retail.
All the latest publications received in New York, New Orleans, &c.

Also, a few copies of DICKENS' HOUSEHOLD WORDS for 1850, bound. BONESTELL & WILLISTON,
jan28 6 Post Office Piazza.

CROCKERY & GLASSWARE.

JUST RECEIVED, per Sarah Boyd, a full assortment, suitable for HOTELS, RESTAURANTS, BOARDING HOUSES and FAMILIES, of the latest shapes and patterns, consisting partially of

WHITE STONE CHINA,
Flown Blue and light blue do
Gilt Iron Stone China tea and dinner sets.

do do do bar and table pitchers,
do do do coffee cups and saucers,
do do do plates and dishes,

Cut and Pressed Glassware, consisting of tumblers, small size,
do do decanters and bitter bottles
do do champagne and claret glasses, tall and low shapes.

Britannia and plated castors, with cut and pressed bottles
Fluted, pressed and cut glass goblets, tumblers, &c. &c.

☞ Also, A FULL ASSORTMENT of common ware suitable for the up country trade, which will be carefully repacked to order. SHIRLEY & BAYLEY,
jan28 Store, Montgomery st, near the corner of Jackson st

jan17 1m

SCRIP.

☞ OF THE GOLD BLUFF MINING COMPANY.—"In a short time it will be worth 75." This certifies that Mr. ——— is entitled to a share in the Gold Bluff Claim, viz., so much property, claims, rights, and advantages. The property of the Company is 1000 shares, and the Company is entitled to 1000 shares. Certificates will be issued to each shareholder in entitled to one vote, a two thirds majority to govern, five things on hand, a majority of the shares to be voted and of all the property. But if he declines working with the other members, he may sell or transfer his share of their daily profits.

Also, Also, two month's provisions for each stockholder and the use of a large' machine for separating the gold from the sand. Apply to

WM. H. HALL & CO. Agents,
jan21 1m No. 5 Commercial st. next to Parker House.

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JUST RECEIVED—A large invoice of Law Books, which we offer cheap for cash.

Civil Code of Louisiana, New Clerk's Assistant, 32 edition, Practice and Pleadings, Chitty on Contracts, Chitty on Pleading, Blackstone's Commentaries, Jarman on Wills by Perkins, Greenleaf's Reports, Kentucky Reports complete, Benjamin & Slidell's Digest, enlarged; Dudle's Georgia Reports, Law Dictionaries, Blank Books of every description, too numerous to mention, for sale wholesale and retail by JOHN MIDDLETON,
jan28 Booksellers and Stationers, Wells & Co.'s Building, Montgomery street ef

STATUTES OF CALIFORNIA.

PRICES REDUCED—The undersigned have received by the OREGON, a small number of perfect copies of the Statutes of California, for 1850, which they offer at the reduced prices. The undersigned improve this occasion to state that they have exhibited specimens of the copies printed beyond the order of the State.

jan 21 2w Law Booksellers,
Foot of Jackson street wharf.

Pursuant to Transcript and Places Taken please copy.

CARGO of the bark EDWARD FLETCHER—
900 bd and half bbls. flour,
1800 qr do do do
100 bags Beans
100 do Bran
Onions, Pumpkins, &c. &c.
Just received, and for sale by PICKETT & CO.
jan 11 2w Foot of Jackson street wharf.

MILESTONES For Sale—A ton of Milestones, French Mat'l, turn, size 36 in. 9 in. Base and all the fixtures necessary for use. Inquire at the store, 34 door below Sansome, in Jackson, north side.
jan24 1f THOS. S. BARNSTEAD.

GRIST MILL FOR SALE.
ONE OF PAIGE & PRENTICE'S Improved Patent Portable Grist Mills, on hand and for sale by
GRAYSON, GILLIS & STILL,
Jan9 Sansome st., near Jackson.

SHIPPING.

FOR OREGON

THE fast-sailing bark SUCCESS, Capt. Irving, will be despatched as above, on SATURDAY, the 15th inst, and will take freight for Pacific City, Astoria, St. Helens, Portland and Milwaukie. For freight or passage, apply to ARRENTZ & CO.,
jan28 1d Agents for California st, 3 doors below Montgomery, up stairs.

NOTICE TO SHIPMASTERS AND OWNERS.

THE Undersigned, shipwright of San Francisco, have completed new arrangements for hauling vessels out of the water, by which vessels can be hauled from keel to light water. Mr. Thompson, a mastermriggor, may be found on board the ship Sierra Nevada, Battery st. at all times, who will give immediate attention to orders left with him. Vessels left at their residence in Sonoma Valley, will be attended to.

Rates of description for sale and made to order.
jan16 tf HUDSON, SMITH & LESTER.

FOR GOLD BLUFF.

TRINIDAD AND GOLD BLUFF.—The splendid fast-sailing brig JULIA HELEN, Capt. R. J. Clark, will sail for the above ports on or about the 1st of February next. Mr. W. H. Hoxie, will leave San Francisco for Panama, February 1st, 1851, and connect at Panama with the steamer Georgia, for New York and Savannah.

The freight on Treasure will be reduced by this ship to 1½ per cent. through to New York, for sums over $5,000.

For freight or passage apply on board, or to
jan29 GRIVER CHALLIER, Agent for the Line.
Also, for sale, the fine schooner Jackson ets

FOR GOLD BLUFF,

TRINIDAD AND TRINIDAD BAYE.

The superior and commodious steamer GENERAL WARREN, Capt. Wm. Smith, will leave Central Wharf for the above place on FRIDAY, Jan. 31st, at 4 o'clock, P. M. Her freight received after 1 P. M. on the day of sailing.

The GENERAL WARREN has made a successful trip to the nearest point of access to the new gold diggings, and offers the richest of any boat for the trade. For freight or passage, apply on board, or to JOS. KINGSBURY and
jan28 1d WINTER & LATIMER,
Foot of Pine street.

FOR SAN JOAQUIN.

REGULAR SAILING PACKET.

FOR MONTEREY, SAN LUIS OBISPO, PORT SAN LUIS, SAN PEDRO and SAN DIEGO, on or about SATURDAY, the 1st of February, the fine sailing steamship CONSTITUTION. Lieut. S. B. Bissell, U. S. N. commander. She will leave Central Wharf at 4 o'clock, for the above named places. An experienced Surgeon will be on board. For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodations, apply to

jan20 1s COOKE & LECOUNT, Agents.
Brick Store, California st.
The freight will be received on the day of sailing.

FOR SANTA CLARA AND SAN JOSE.

REGULAR PACKET.—The fine sailing steamer NEW STAR, Capt. E. Sampson, will leave Central Wharf every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9 o'clock, A. M. for the above places, returning every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. For freight or passage, apply on board. Freight taken at $12 per ton.
jan27 tf

CHANGE OF BERTH.

From that of Central Wharf every day at 4 P. M.

PEOPLE'S LINE OF SACRAMENTO AND MARYSVILLE.

THROUGH TO MARYSVILLE IN 24 HOURS.

THE Steamer NEW WORLD, Capt. Wm. Hoffman, will leave every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and FRIDAY.

The General Agent, Capt. Jas. Van Ness, leaves every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY.

Passengers and Goods will be taken at the lowest rates, and can depend upon reaching Sacramento City in time to connect with the Steamers for the Upper Sacramento and Feather, reaching Marysville within the time named. Any one wishing to ship goods, can have them stored in accommodations of these boats before engaging elsewhere. Orders for Freight or Passage for the Interior of Sacramento, Wells & Co., corner of Montgomery and Clay streets, at Messrs. Cole & Co., corner of Washington and Kearny sts., or at the office of the undersigned, will be attended to with dispatch.

CHARLES MINTURN, Agent.
Steamboat Hotel, corner of Battery and Sacramento sts.
On Cuttenham's wharf.

N. B. All persons are hereby cautioned against harboring any of the hands belonging to the above boats, and all packages of value or gold dust left with the Captains will be at the risk of the owners of them, or of the parties to whom they belong. And any person harboring any of the hands belonging to the boats, will be charged $50 per package.
jan18 tf

FOR SAN JOAQUIN CITY,

DIRECT LINE OF THE UPPER SAN JOAQUIN.

Direct from San Francisco, weekly. The superior fast sailing steamer ELIZA ANN, Capt. Wm. Patterson (Wharf regularly every Saturday at 12 o'clock. For freight or passage, apply to the Captain on board. Freight taken to all points in the Upper San Joaquin, Tuolumne and Merced rivers, at the lowest rates. Orders from the miners and traders, in the Merced and Mariposa region.

FOR SAN JOSE, SANTA CLARA & ALVISO.

THE fine steamer JENNY LIND, Capt. Sumner Hinkley, will leave Central Wharf every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY, at 9 o'clock, A. M. for the above places, returning every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY. Alviso for San Francisco on alternate days. For freight or passage, apply on board, or to

FRED'K P. GREEN, Agent,
419 2 Foot of Clay street.

TO LET, LEASE & FOR SALE.

☞ TO LET—A House in Clay st, between the St. Charles Hotel and Kearny st. Apply to the Proprietor, Inquire at ISAAC HILLMAN, at the Temperance House, or at the store of Messrs. Hillman & Hopkins, between Clay and Commercial. jan25 2

TO RENT.

THE NEW WAREHOUSE or STORE just erected on the corner of Battery and Clay sts. It is one of the most substantial manner, and largest, and most convenient buildings in the city.

411 tf WINTER & LATIMER.
ENDICOTT, LEAKE & CO. Boston.

FOR RENT,

AT CONVENIENT TERMS, the 3 story Brick and Iron building on the corner of Battery and Merchant st. next to the Custom House, bitherto occupied by the late firm of Howard & Co. the whole or the different stories to suit parties.

It being desirable to let the whole to one firm, I have also the refusal of the adjoining lot, which can be had accordingly. Apply to EDWARD VISCHER, near the premises.

jan27 1m

FOR RENT.—The second story of the large Iron Warehouse on Sansome street, near Jackson. Apply to the subscribers, who have for sale Iron, Steel, Nails, Anchors, and has facilities in the rear for direct communication with lighters.

GRAYSON, GUILD & LIGHTNER,
jan25 1m on the premises.

EX TALBOT,

AND OTHER late arrivals, and for sale by the subscribers, at

437 Commercial st.
Crushed sugar, sugar-cured hams
English dairy cheese, in tins
Superior Goshen butter, in 10, 15, 20 lb kegs
Rectified Rye, Bourbon and Monongahela whiskey
Mango relishes, Carolina rice, Rio coffee
Dried apples, peaches, apricots, Sonoma catsup
Clams, oyster soup, lobster, Stonington wine bitters
Pickles, sauces, mustard, pepper sauce
Candles, mould and dipped, superior quality
Pepper, allspice, cloves, cinnamon, ginger, &c.
Also, French dress goods, viz:
Demi and Chantilly veils, bleb, Broche shawl
Superior quality French chemisettes
Gent's and ladies white kid gloves
Embr'd linen and Swiss cambric handkfs, extra patterns
Also, blue, scarlet, drab, slate and cadet mixed colored Ingrain carpets, 4-4 wide, superior quality
Buffalo robes, long-legged boots, superior quality
WILLIS & GARDNER,
Clothiers, st near Montgomery.
jan1 1m

CARGO

OF BARK ISABELLA.—Just imported direct from China and Manilla, selected expressly for the California trade, and for sale wholesale only, consisting in part of

Superior green and black tea in canisters,
Sweet black, blue, green and scarlet camphor trunks,
Red and China matting, mats, rugs and Canton baskets, &c.
Bolts China matting; assorted China lacquered ware.
Assorted preserved ginger, colored sewing silks,
Assorted China furniture, consisting of rattan chairs settees, couches, quarter cabinets, &c.
Pipes, or pineapple dress pieces.
Canton crapes, Nos. 1 and 2 dyes.
Manilla cordage, colored silk bandas or cashes.
Gunny bags, new and second hand.
Horse clothes, leather, cocoanuts, &c. &c.
BRADLEE & HOWARD,
jan28 Commercial st, near Montgomery.

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FOR SALE.

THE BARK MAZEPPA. Apply to
WILLIAM HEATH & CO.,
jan28 1m Sansome street, between Sacramento and Clay.

Or to the Captain, on board.

FOR PORTLAND,

OREGON via GOLD BLUFF. The fine fast sailing barque MARY ADAMS, having been thoroughly refitted and repaired, will be despatched as above, on or about the 15th inst. For freight or passage, having superior accommodations for other shore ports. For freight or passage apply to WINTER & LATIMER,
jan18 tf Foot of Pine street.

TO CAPTAINS of vessels and CONSIGNEES—

Stone Ballast furnished in small or large quantities, at the shortest notice, and on the most reasonable price. Apply to JAMES H. HARRIS,
jan28 1m Corner of Sansome and Pacific streets.

FOR SALE—5 cachoys Sulphuric Acid. jan27 1d

FOR SALE—A first-class SCHOONER, 114 tons, built of live oak, and copper fastened, in complete order, well found in sails and rigging, and can be sent to sea with a cargo at short notice. Apply to WILLIAM HEATH & CO.
jan21 2w Sansome st. between Washington and Jackson sts.

FOR SALE.

BARK OHIO, 325 tons, 5 years old, ready for sea, in perfect order for any voyage. well found in sails and rigging. Also, her cargo, consisting of 1000 bbls flour. Apply on board, or to the office of SALMON & ELLIS,
jan21 tf Pacific street.

BANKING AND INSURANCE.

F. ARGENTI & CO.,
Bankers,
San Francisco, Montgomery street, between Clay and Commercial.

REFER TO AND DRAW ON—
Brown, Brothers & Co., No. 59 Wall st.
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At sight or on time, and in sums to suit purchasers.

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E. W. PAGE,	San Francisco.
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EXPRESS AGENTS, Forwarders, Shippers, and Bankers; Bills of Exchange drawn on our Houses in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington, and also payable at our offices in any of the following towns:

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Wheeling,	Providence,
Pittsburg,	Taunton,
Cumberland,	Fall River,
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WE HAVE ONE OF THE BEST FIRE-PROOF SAFES in the city, with Sargent's Patent Time and Combination Locks, and receive Deposits, Specie, Bullion, Gold Dust, Bonds, Jewelry, and other Valuables, for Safe Keeping.

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Drake Bills on Wells & Co., Bowen, Robinson & Co., New York; Adams & Co., Boston; Wells, Fargo & Co., Baltimore; Ellis & Morton, Cincinnati; Lukes, Bonnin & Co., New Orleans; Wells, Fargo & Co., Sacramento & Co., Albany; H. A. Rathbone, New Orleans; Wells, Fargo & Co., London; and Banks in Portland, New Haven, New London, Providence, Worcester, Fly-ing Dutchman, New Bedford, Portsmouth, Portland, Bangor, Keene, Concord, Bellows' Falls and Woodstock.
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ON HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, for sale by
CORNELIUS GRINNELL,
Corner Sacramento and Leidesdorff sts.

LIGHT! LIGHT! LIGHT!

THE Water-Strained SPERM OIL.—The subscribers will take this method to inform the consumers of Oil that they are now prepared to furnish the Water-Strained Oil, at the following prices:

Crescent, Hotel and Saloon Proprietors are invited to call on us previous to their purchasing.

JAMES H. HARRIS,
Jones' alley, between Jackson and Washington sts.

PILE DRIVING.

WHARVES and Buildings erected, built, and Water Lots enclosed with dispatch, for cash or on shares; 200 piles and 1000 feet lumber for sale by the subscriber in great variety GEORGE GORDON.
jan13 1m Wharf Building, California st. wharf.

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PER BARK SUCCESS—
70,000 " joist and scantling,
70,000 " joist and scantling,
10,000 " 1 inch and 2 inch Lumber, for sale by
jan21 1m ARRENTZIA & CO.
California street, 3 doors below Montgomery.

TO THE DERBS CIRCLE OF SAN FRANCISCO—Just received per Oregon, a fine assortment of Cock Spurs for Balls and Parties, and for sale by

WILLIS & GARDNER,
jan18 Sansome st, bew. Washington and Jackson

BLUFF, GOLD BLUFF.

BOOKS WILL BE OPEN THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 24th inst. to 4 o'clock, at the Battery, for the PACIFIC MINING COMPANY, Gold Bluff.

By order of the Board of Directors.
JOHN A. COLLINS, Secretary.
jan 24

STORAGE.

I AM now ready to take in storage, all kinds of sales, and lumber, and have room for 1000 tons. Also, Ganging, laying at the foot of Pacific street. Inquire on board

STATE LAWS.

AN ACT to Establish Pilots, and Pilot regulations for the Port of San Francisco.

The People of the State of California, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

§1. It shall be the duty of the Governor to appoint two resident Merchants, and two experienced ship Masters, Ship Masters, who, together with the Harbor Master of the Port, shall constitute a Board of Pilot Commissioners for the Port of San Francisco.

§2. The persons thus appointed shall take an oath for the faithful discharge of their duties, and shall hold their office for the term of one year, and until their successors are appointed and qualified.

§3. The Commissioners shall keep an office at San Francisco, and shall meet therein on the first Monday of each month. A majority shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

§4 They shall appoint a Secretary, who shall hold his office for one year. He shall give bonds, with sureties, to be approved by the Commissioners, payable to the State of California, in the sum of ten thousand dollars; conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duty, which bond shall be filed in the office of the County Clerk, and be for the use of the party aggrieved.

§5. The Commissioners shall make By-Laws and Rules for their own government, not inconsistent with the provisions of the Constitution of the United States or of this State.

§6. The Commissioners shall have power to purchase an iron safe for the keeping of money, papers, books, or other things of value belonging to their office.

§7. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep correct minutes of all the proceedings of the Commissioners, in books provided for that purpose. To receive all moneys, and pay out the same when ordered so to do by the Board, and shall countersign the names of pilots when they receive their licenses. These registers and books shall always be open to public inspection.

§8. He keeps a monthly record of the arrival and departure of the pilot boats, names and residences of all pilots, and to perform such other duties as the Board may direct.

§9. The Secretary shall receive for his compensation, such sums as the Commissioners may deem just.

§10. Neither the Commissioners or the Secretary shall have any interest, directly or otherwise, in any pilot boat, or the earnings thereof.

§11. The Commissioners shall have power to appoint, in the manner prescribed in this act, such number of pilots for said port as they may deem necessary.

§12. Persons applying for licenses to act as pilots for the port of San Francisco, shall be American citizens, and not under the age of twenty-one years, and in presence of one or more licensed pilots shall be rigidly examined by the Commissioners, touching their qualifications, concerning their knowledge of the management of square-rigged vessels, of the tides, soundings, and currents of the bay, of the different shoals, rocks, bars, and points of land, and the lights and buoys thereof; and if deemed by them fully qualified, shall receive a license as a pilot, which shall expire at the end of twelve months.

§13. Every licensed pilot, previous to entering on his duties, shall give bond to the amount of five thousand dollars, payable to the State of California, with two sureties, approved of by the Board, which bond and security shall be approved of by the Commissioners, and shall be filed in their office.

§14. The Commissioners shall have full power to suspend pilots, or revoke their licenses, on proof of insapacity or misconduct.

§15. As soon as a sufficient number of pilots are associated to act as such, and not before, the Commissioners, by the Commissioners, in the order of application, and her name and number duly recorded in a book provided for that purpose, and pay out the same when ordered so to do by the Board, and shall countersign the names of pilots when they receive their licenses. These registers and books shall always be open to public inspection.

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JOHN BIGLER,
Speaker of the Assembly.

Lieut. Gov. and President of the Senate.
Approved, February 25, 1850.

PETER H. BURNETT.

AN ACT regulating the Quarantine of Vessels at the Port and Harbor of San Francisco.

The People of the State of California, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows.

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